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Executive Department Colorado Territory

I the undersigned Benjamin F. Hall, Chief Justice of the Territory of Colorado, solemnly swear to support the Constitution of the United States and faithfully to discharge the duties of my office

(Signed) Benj. F. Hall

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of July A.D. 1861, at Denver City

(Signed) William Gilpin
Gov. of Colorado Territory

(Endorsed — Chief Justice B. F. Hall — Official Oath)

Executive Department Colorado Territory

I the undersigned S. Newton Pettis, Associate Justice of the Territory of Colorado, solemnly swear to support the Constitution of the United States and faithfully to discharge the duties of my office

(Signed) S. Newton Pettis

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th day of July A.D. 1861 at Denver City.

(Signed) William Gilpin
Gov Colorado Territory

(Endorsed — Associate Justice S. Newton Pettis)

By His Excellency William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory — A Proclamation

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To the People of Colorado Territory —

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act establishing the Territory of Colorado the following Judicial Districts are established, and assigned —

1st District — All Territory East of a Meridian line passing through the town of Arrapahoe, District Court at Denver City

Benj. F. Hall Chief Justice

2nd District — All Territory West of said meridian and North of the parallel of the town of Bradford. District Court at Central City

L. Newton Pettis Associate Justice

3rd District — All Territory West of said Meridian and South of the parallel of the town of Bradford, District Court at Cañon City

Chas. Lee Armour Associate Justice

Done at Denver July 11th 1861
By the Governor
Lewis Ledyard Weld
Sec'y Col Ter.

William Gilpin

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By His Excellency William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory — A Proclamation

To the People of Colorado Territory

In compliance with the Organic Act creating the Territory of Colorado, a general election will be held on Monday the 19th day of August, 1861 for the election of a Delegate to the 37th Congress of the United States, and of members of the Territorial Legislature; to consist of Nine members of the Council and Thirteen members of the House of Representatives.

The following Electoral Districts are establish

Congressional District — The whole Territory of Colora

Council Districts

District No 1 — All that portion of Colorado Territory North of the Dividing Ridge (between the Platte and Arkansas Rivers) and East of the foot of the Mountains, Exclusive of the City of Denver.

District No 2 — The City of Denver.

District No 3. — All that Territory West of District No 1 commencing at the town of Bradford, thence to include Payne's Bar on Clear Creek, thence including Clear Creek to mouth of North Fork, thence to Four Mile House, thence along Divide to Snowy Range and thence due West to the Western boundary of Colorado Territory.

District No 4. — All Territory South and West of District No 3 to a line commencing at the junction of North Clear Creek and Russell's Gulch, up the Dividing Ridge including Spring Gulch, to the junction of Nevada and Eureka Gulches, up the Dividing Ridge to the Snowy Range and thence due West to the boundary of Colorado Territory.

District No 5. — All Territory South of District No 4 and West of District No 3, to a line running &c

West from the town of Bradford, to the Summit of the Snowy Range, thence North with said Range to the line of District No 4.

District No 6. All that territory South of District No 4. and West of the Summit of the Snowy Range, to a line commencing on said Summit on the West side of Utah Pass, thence North with the mountain crest to Ten Mile Creek, thence to the Source of Eagle River, thence West with the Summit of the Elk Mountain. to Boundary of Colorado Territory

Districts Nos 8, & 9. All the remaining territory embracing the regions drained by the Arkansas, Del Norte and San Juan Rivers. (Two Councilmen)

Representative Districts.

District No 1. All that territory East of the foot of the mountains and North of the parallel of Denver (including the Platte River and its tributaries) & tending East and North to the territorial boundary lines.

District No 2. All that territory West of the foot of the Mountains, to a line from the town of Bradford to the mouth of North Clear Creek, thence to Fours Mile House thence up the Divide to the Snowy Range and thence to the Western and Northern Territorial lines.

Districts Nos 3 & 4. Denver City and all territory included between the parallel of Denver and the Divide (of Platte and Arkansas Rivers) & tending from the foot of the mountains to the East Territorial boundary. (Two Representatives.)

District No 5. All the territory South of District No 2. to a line commencing at the mouth of North Clear Creek, up said Creek to the mouth of Russells Gulch, thence by the dividing Ridge to the mouth of Eureka Gulch, thence North to Dividing Ridge thence with said Ridge to the Snowy Range and thence due West to the Territorial boundary.

District No 6. All that territory South of District No 5 to a line crossing Russells Gulch above Pleasant Valley, thence up the Divide between Russells Gulch and Fall River to the Snowy Range - thence due West to the Territorial Boundary.

District No 7. All the Valley of Clear Creek contains between the above established boundaries on the North and East, and a line following the summit between Clear Creek and the Platte River to the Snowy Range, and thence due West to the Territorial Boundary.

District No 8. All that territory West of the meridian of the town of Bradford and South of District No 7. to the Dividing Range (of Arkansas and Platte Rivers) along said summit to a meridian line half way between the towns of Jefferson and Hamilton, with said meridian to the summit of the Snowy Range, thence along the Divide between the Blue and Swan Rivers to the point of the same down Blue River to Ten Mile Creek, thence to the head of Eagle River, and by the summit of Elk Mountain to the Territorial Boundary.

District No 9. All territory West of District No 8. to a line beginning at Ten Mile Creek thence South to the Snowy Range on the West side of Utah Pass, thence due South to the Arkansas Divide, thence East along said Divide to the corner of District No 8.

District No 10. All territory immediately West of District No 9. to the Territorial Boundary.

Districts Nos 11. & 12. All territory South of District No 10 and included between the Snowy Range the Dividing Range, the Eastern Territorial Boundary and the Northern Boundary of New Mexico. (Two Representatives)

District No 13. All territory included between the Snowy Range, the Dividing Range, the Eastern Territorial Boundary and the Northern Boundary of New Mexico

The laws and instructions prescribing the places of voting and manner of holding Elections will be immediately furnished to the several Districts.
Done at Denver July 11th 1861

William Gilpin

By the Governor
Lewis Ledyard Weld
Secy Col. Ter.

By His Excellency William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory A Proclamation

To The People of Colorado Territory,

I do hereby appoint a Term of the Supreme Court for the First Judicial District to be held at Denver on the First monday of September next: and a Term of said Court for the Second Judicial District to be held at Denver City on the Third Monday of the same month

Done at Denver July 20th 1861

William Gilpin

By the Governor
Lewis Ledyard Weld
Secy Col. Ter.

Executive Department
Colorado Territory
Denver July 29th 1861

To Chief Justice Benj F. Hall
Sir.

In consequence of the protracted absence of associate Justice Charles Lee Armour, and the necessity of the establishment of the U.S. District Court within the 3rd Judicial District, the duty of organizing the said Court at Canon City is assigned to you. If consistent with your official duties elsewhere, I appoint Monday August 5th next, for the opening of the Court

Very Respectfully
(signed) William Gilpin
Gov. Colorado Ter.

By His Excellency William Gilpin, Governor of Colorado Territory - A Proclamation!

Whereas To the People of Colorado Territory:

The following Election Precincts for the Election ordered for the 14th day of August 1861. and the Judges of Election for the same are hereby established and assigned.

In Council District No 1 to wit: All that portion of Colorado Territory North of the Dividing Range (between the Platte and Arkansas Rivers) and East of the foot of the mountains, exclusive of the City of Denver, as follows: -

Precinct No 1. Julesburg. Judges - George N. Chrisman Samuel B. Butts. Lewis Baker.

Precinct No 2. Stevens House. Beaver Creek Judges. S. H. Stevens W. A. Marvel, E. L. Aubert

Precinct No 3. Randall's House. Cache a la Poudre. Judges - C. Randall — Howe — Sylvester.

Precinct No 4. Gerry's Ranche. Judges. Eldridge Gerry John A. Smith. David Smith -

Precinct No 5. Big Thompson. Cherokee Crossing. Judges P. G. Preston Stephen Allen — Franklin

Precinct No 6. Fort St Vrain Judges H. J. Graham Ab Boughton. Wm Hamilt.

Precinct No 7. Boulder Creek Cherokee Crossing - Judges
J. L. Routwell, James Parker. L. J. Plumb.
Precinct No 8 Fort Lupton. Judges - Geo Blake, John Kerr
Chas Pierson.
Precinct No 9 Clear Creek, Cherokee Crossing Judges - River
Wadsworth J. B. Lauder Geo Wells -
Precinct No 10 Keenan. Cut-off Judges - L. A Christian
John B. Conant, J. M. Anthony -
Precinct No 11 Mouth of Bear Creek. Judges L. A. Wilson
J. N Koontz, C. H Webb.
Precinct No 12. Plum Creek, Coberly's Judges. Geo. Sayres
Sylvester Richardson, William Croll.
Precinct No 13 Bild's Saw Mill Judges. Joseph R. Higby
Sidney C. Webber. Chester Rider.
Precinct No 14 Steele's Ranche Judges. M. N. Steele
C. A. McLaughlin, O. J. Wright.

In Council District No. 2 - to wit: The City of Denver as follows: -
Precinct No 1. Miners Hotel North Denver. Judges William McKaugh G. L. Allen, C. Grant.
Precinct No 2. Paulus' Court Room. West Denver Judges C. Sargent. J. G. Merlin. A. Sagendorf.
Precinct No 3 E. Street opposite Tabor Grant & Co's. Judges Wm A'Barnes Jr. Richard C. Whitsitt. James M Broadwell

In Council District No 3. to wit: All that territory West of District No 1 commencing at the town of Bradford thence to include Paynes Bar on Clear Creek. thence including Clear Creek to mouth of North Fork, thence to Four Mile House. thence along Divide to Snowy Range and thence due west to boundary of Colorado Territory. as follows, -
Precinct No 1 Left Hand Big & Little Thompson. Judges G. W. Scofield, John Markley, P. K. Dotson.
Precinct No 2. Boulder City Judges - J. H. Decker, C. L. Gove. D Williams -
Precinct No 3. Gold Hill Judges P. M. Houtle. J. Williams - C. H. N. Patterson.
Precinct No 4. Gold Dist. Judges G. G. Martin. Theodore N. Sterling: A. J. Jones.
Precinct No 5. Gay's Ranch. Judges A. M. Colby, R. N. Farley John C. Gay.
Precinct No 6. Idaho Judges. F. W. Beebe, P. W. Chenoweth. W. E. Sisty

Precinct No 7 Mount Vernon Judges - H. R. Benjamin - I. le. Bergen, Dr Joseph Coats.
Precinct No 8 Golden City Judges Lt. Col. Chapman Jr. J. Mc Fraser, Eli Coates.

In Council District No 4. Voit:- All territory South and West of District No 2., by a line commencing at the junction of North Clear Creek and Russel's Gulch up the Dividing Ridge, including Spring Gulch, to the junction of Nevada & Eureka Gulches, up the Dividing Ridge to the Snowy Range, and thence due West to the boundary of Colorado Territory, as follows:-
Precinct No 1. Black Hawk Point. Judges - O. H. Davis D. H. Warren, E. K. Phillips.
Precinct No 2. Central City. Judges H. P. Parker, M. Stone H. A. Campbell.
Precinct No 3 Mouth of Prosser's Gulch. Judges Wm Hamilton J. W. Stanton, M. V. Mason.

In Council District No 5. Voit. All territory South of District No 4. and West of District No 3. by a line running due West from the town of Bradford to the summit of the Snowy Range, thence North with said Range to the line of District No 4. as follows.
Precinct No 1 Nevada City Judges. H. J. Vandecar, J. W. Clayton, Wm F. Weir.
Precinct No 2. D D White's store Judges - J. P. Benson D D White Dr Hersh.
Precinct No 3 Kake Gulch, Saucy City Judges. L. G. Colby J. M. Smith Dr. H. McMahon.
Precinct No 4. Mouth of Fall River. Judges. H. Gibson L. L. Soule. L. Edwards.
Precinct No 5 Empire City. Judges J. M. Tiffany. H. C. Cartwright. J. C. Leeper.
Precinct No 6. Trail Creek. Lewis' Mill Judges - for Holman John Barbour. Col. Gratiot.

In Council District No 6 - Voit: All that territory South of District No 4 and West of the Summit of the Snowy Range to a line commencing on said Summit on the West side of Utah Pass, thence North with the mountain crest to Ten Mile Creek, thence to the source of Eagle River, thence West with the summit of the Elk mountain to the boundary

of Colorado Territory as follows;
Precinct No 1 Gayetty Corner Gayetty Gulch Judges
O A Whitemore, D Dillon - Empire -
Precinct No 2 Crane's House Delaware Flats Judges
John R Mason D. A. Crane Noah Newbanks -
Precinct No 3 Lincoln City Express office French Gulch
Judges - D. C. French P. M. Paige James Campbell
Precinct No 4 Breckenridge Silverthorne Judges. Marshall
Silverthorne, Thomas Buckenmaster. L. M. Kirkpatrick
Precinct No 5 Eagle River. Judges Christopher Rolph
Milton B. Case Hugh Melrose.

In Council District No 7 towit: All that territory lying South of Districts Nos 5 & 6 from the meridian line through the town of Bradford to a line of latitude passing through the mouth of Ponder Creek Westward to the boundary line of Colorado Territory as follows:
Precinct No 1. Junction Ranche. Judges. Geo W. Hutchinson John Eaton. William Dorsh.
Precinct No 2 Elks Ranche Judges - Otsie Axell Slaught A. H. Shultz -
Precinct No 3 Jefferson, Marsh's Store, Judges - Daniel Marsh. F. A. Stone. T. M. Ritchinson
Precinct No 4 Hamilton, Iron Hall Judges D Miller. W. J. Holman East Hamilton -
Precinct No 5 Fair Play. Judges. J. J. Winslow A. R. Barton Geo L Wilson
Precinct No 6 Buckskin Joe Judges. I W Hibbard. W. A. Hawkins. A. L. Mundy.
Precinct No 7 McNulty's Gulch. Judges Charles Fay J. G. Kimball. Henry A Cummings
Precinct No 8 Oro City California Gulch - Judges - Scott J Anthony. Geo F. Crocker. L. D Breese -
Precinct No 9 Last Chance Judges. R. F. Crampton L. C. Chadburn, William Brown -

In Districts Nos 8 & 9. to wit - All the remaining territory, Embracing the regions drained by the Arkansas, Del Norte & San Juan Rivers, (two Counciliums) as follows -
Precinct No 1 Colorado City Judges - M. L. Beach Robert B. Willis Samuel F. Shaffer.

Precinct No 2 Mexican City. Judges H. G. Pratt, R. O. Old
W. H. Curtis
Precinct No 3 Fontaine qui Bouille, al Young - Judges
S. F. Hull. W. A. Young, Alfred Sprague -
Precinct No 4 Pueblo Judges - John Carnes, W. R. Fowler
Chilcott
Precinct No 5. Doyle's Ranche Judges B. J. Field
Alex. Hicklin. A. M. Robb.
Precinct No 6 Mexican Town. Judges. R. B. Boice
M. A. Bassett. Santa Anna.
Precinct No 7 Hayne's Ranche Judges. Matt Haynes -
Joseph French. John Watson
Precinct No 8 Purgatoire, Gray's Ranche. Judges
James Grey Thomas Albert Juan Vigil
Precinct No 9; Fort Wise. Judges. John L. Smith.
Francis Mead. R. T. Ackley.
Precinct No 10 Fort Garland. Judges. J. Bryant.
Henry Dayse, John W Francisco.
Precinct No 11 Culebra. Judges. H. E. Eastiday
John Albert Juan Julian Martinez -
Precinct No 12 Conejos Judges. J. B. Woodson, Fayette
Head ——— Belasquez -
Precinct No 13 Costilla J. M. Posthaff's Store. Judges
J. M Posthaff. Fernando Meyer, Rafael Martin --
Precinct No 14 - Animas Mines, Judges -

In case of the absence or inability to serve of any Judges of Election, the vacancy shall be filled by the remaining Judges. When no house, or place of holding the Election is specified, the Judges shall make the selection

Done at Denver July 29th 1861

William Gilpin

By the Governor
Lewis Ledyard Weld
Secretary of Colorado Territory

Military Commissions

The following individuals having Reciprocated their acceptance of the Military offices tendered them and Each having taken the oath prescribed by the Rules & Regulations of the United States Army, before the Secretary of the Territory. Commissions were issued to them by the Governor. as follows.

John P. Slough to be Capt of Co A. First Regiment Colorado Infantry Volunteers. Commission dated July 24th 1861

Samuel F. Tappan to be Capt. of Co B. First Regiment Colorado Infantry Volunteers Commission dated July 27th 1861

Samuel M. Logan to be First Lieut. of Co B. First Regiment Colorado Infantry Volunteers Commission dated July 27th 1861

James R. Shaffer to be First Lieut. of Co A. First Regiment Colorado Infantry Volunteers Commission dated July 29th 1861

Edward W. Wynkoop to be Second Lieut. of Co A. First Regiment Colorado Infantry Volunteers Commission dated July 31st 1861

Isaac Gray to be Second Lieut of Co B. First Regiment Colorado Infantry Volunteers Commission dated Aug 1st 1861

Executive Department Colorado Territory

Denver August 27th 1861

I William Gilpin Governor of the Territory of Colorado do hereby certify

That at an election held according to the provisions of the Organic Act, in this Territory on the nineteenth day of August A.D. 1861,

Hiram P. Bennett

received a majority of the votes cast for Delegate to the Thirty Seventh Congress of the United States, and he is hereby declared to be duly elected accordingly Delegate to the Thirty Seventh Congress of the United States to represent the said Territory of Colorado.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto del-
ivered my hand and caused the seal of the
(L. S.) said Territory to be hereunto affixed this
Twenty Seventh day of August A.D. 1861

William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory

By the Governor
Lewis Ledyard Weld
Secretary of Colorado Territory

By His Excellency William Gilpin Governor of Colorado Territory A. Proclamation. To the People of Colorado Territory

The First Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Colorado Territory will convene at the City of Denver, on Monday, the ninth day of September A.D. 1861.

The members elect whose names are herewith, will receive their certificates of election by personal application to the Secretary of the Territory, at his office in Denver City.

The members elect for the Territorial Council are as follows.

In Council District No 1.	H. J. Graham.
In Council District No 2.	Amos Steck.
In Council District No 3.	C. A. Mather.
In Council District No 4.	H. F. Parker.
In Council District No 5	A. M. Colby.
In Council District No 6.	Samuel M. Robb[illegible]

In Council District No 5. elect E.A. Arnold.
In Council District Nos 8 & 9 R. B. Willis and John M. Francisco

The members for the House of Representatives are as follows:

In Representative District No 1. Daniel Steel.
In Representative District No 2. Charles E. Holly.
In Representative Districts Nos 3 & 4. E. S. Wilkitt and Edwin Scudder
In Representative District No 5. William A Rankin.
In Representative District No 6. J. B. Chaffee.
In Representative District No 7. James M. Motheram.
In Representative District No 8. Corydon P. Hall.
In Representative District No 9. Daniel Witter.
In Representative District No 10. George F. Crocker.
In Representative Districts Nos 11 & 12. Victor Garcia and Jesus Barela.
In Representative District No 13. George M. Chilcott

Done at Denver, this 24th day of August A.D. 1861.

By the Governor
William Gilpin.
Lewis Ledyard Weld
Secretary of Colorado Territory.

Election Returns Official.

Total vote in the Territory			10924.
Total vote for Congress			9597.
H. P. Bennet	6703.		
B. D. Williams	2892		
J. M. Cavanagh	1		
Mark A Moore	1		
Bennets Majority		3809.	
Total vote in Council District No. 1.			610.
S. H. Morrison	221.		
H. J. Graham.	256.		
James Barker	48.		
J. H. Pinkerton	18.		
H. H. McLaughlin	38.		
A. F. Hewes.	2.		
F. H. Sherwood	1.		
Plurality for H. J. Graham		35	
Total vote in Council District No 2			1052.
Amos Steck	466.		
R. Sorris	391.		
L. L. Bowen	119		
Plurality for Amos Steck		75	
Total vote in Council District No 3.			1111.
C. H. Mather	502.		
James H. Hamilton	411.		
F. C. Berger	116.		
Plurality for C. H. Mather		91.	
Total vote in Council District No 4.			1200.
H. F. Parker	521.		
H. P. A. Smith	383.		
R. Wilkinson	221.		
John I Moore	143.		
Plurality for H. F. Parker		238	
Total vote in Council District No 5			1704.
A. C. Colby	1000.		
R. Burns	468.		
William H. Backus	173.		
J. Semple	2		
J. H. Hamilton	1		
B. D. Williams	1.		
Majority for A. C. Colby		355	

Total vote in Council District No 6. 1479.

Samuel M. Robbins	790.
Joshua Miller	639.
Majority for S. M. Robbins	151.

Total vote in Council District No. 7 1600

Doct E. A. Arnold	771.
H. L. Dr. Smith	757.
D. H. Dr. Smith	1
Majority for E. A. Arnold	13.

Total vote in Council Districts Nos 8 & 9. 1156.

John M. Francisco	692.
R. B. Willis	562.
Quirina Mese	380.
Juan Miguel Vigil	246.
H. E. Easterday	218.
W. N. Welton	149.
William Cauley	1.
Peter Ballinger	1.
E. B. Sutherland	1.
Plurality for Francisco over Willis	130.
Plurality for Willis over Mese	182.

For Representative District No 1.

Daniel Steel	134.
Jeremiah Kershaw	102.
P. K. Dotson	86.
G. L. Strope	81.
A. H. Maloney	9.
Plurality for Daniel Steel	32.

For Representative District No 2.

Charles F. Holly	355
S. M. Breath	288
S. Nicholas	2
Majority for Charles F. Holly	65

For Representative Districts Nos 3 & 4.

E. S. Wilhite	436.
Edwin Scudder	382.
J Marshall.	255.
B. R. Pegram.	281.
John Vanlas	226
C. S. Hinckley	155.
M Clancy	99.

John B Conant	43.	
George S. Eayre	42.	
C. R. Hensted	38.	
Elijah Cody	18	
Oscar J Wright	9.	
Lampson	1.	
Plurality for Wilhite over Scudder		54.
Plurality for Scudder over Pegram		101.
In Representative District No. 5.		
William A Rankin	480.	
C. C. Post	432.	
Majority for Rankin		48.
In Representative District No 6.		
J. B. Chaffee	736.	
J. D. Crafton	279.	
William Davidson	63.	
J. R. Backus	3.	
Majority for Chaffee		491.
In Representative District No 7.		
J. H. Notewave	649.	
S. S. Davis	239.	
T. Delemar	31.	
Joseph T. Mussier	2.	
S. D. Hunter	1.	
J. S. Souly.	1.	
Majority for J. H. Notewave		376.
In Representative District No 8.		
Corydon P. Hall	532.	
Oliver A. Whittemore	521.	
Kellog	2.	
Majority for C. P. Hall.		9.
In Representative District No 9.		
Daniel Witter	457.	
A. J. Bond	443.	
Prince H. Paige	186.	
David Keptner	92.	
James Garvin	2.	
Plurality for Daniel Witter		
In Representative district No 11.		
George F. Crocker	332.	
S. H. Mason	212.	
George A Hinsdale	167.	
Plurality for G. F. Crocker		

For Representative Districts Nos 11 & 12.

Jesus Barela	358
Victor Garcia	542
J. A. Reed	1

For Representative District No 13.

George M. Chilcott	234
S. Powell	134
A. S. Cobb	112
Mat Riddlesberger	102
Plurality for G. M. Chilcott	100

At an election held according to the provision of the Organic Act in the Territory of Colorado on the 19th day of August A.D. 1861 for Members of the Council of the first Territorial Legislature the following individuals having been duly elected Certificates of Election were issued to them by the Governor on the 2d day of September A.D. 1861 as follows.

To	From Council dist	
H. P. Graham	" " "	No 1.
Silas Fleek	" " "	" 2.
C. W. Mather	" " "	" 3.
H. F. Parker	" " "	" 4.
A. D. Colby	" " "	" 5.
S. H. Robbins	" " "	" 6.
Jack E. A. Arnold	" " "	" 7.
John M. Francisco	" " Dist	" 8 & 9.
R. B. Weeks	" " "	" 8 & 9.

At an election held according to the provisions of the Organic act in the Territory of Colorado on the 1st day of August A.D. 1861. for members of the House of the First Territorial Legislature. The following individuals having been duly elected, certificates of election were issued to them by the Governor on the 2d day of September A.D. 1861.

To-	From Representative District
Daniel Steel	" " " No 1.
Charles F. Holly	" " " No 2
E. S. Whitt	" " " " 3+4
Edwin Scudder	" " " " 3+4
William M. Kountz	" " " " 5.
J. B. Chaffee	" " " " 6.
J. M. Shelman	" " " " 7.
Corydon P. Hall	" " " " 8.
Daniel Sutter	" " " " 9.
George T. Crocker	" " " " 10.
Jesus Baca.	" " " " 11+12.
Victor Garcia	" " " " 11+12.
George M. Chilcott	" " " " 13.

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I, [illegible] do solemnly swear that I will support protect and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States. against all enemies, whether domestic or foreign. And that I will bear true faith, allegiance and loyalty to the same. Any Ordinance, resolution, or law, of any State, Convention or Legislature to the Contrary notwithstanding. And further, that I do this with a full determination, pledge, and purpose, without any mental reservation or evasion whatsoever: And further, that I will well and faithfully perform, all the duties which may be required of me by law. So help me God.

James E. Calica.

Benjamin F. Hall, Chief Justice of Colorado

September 2nd 1861

In compliance with a communication received this day from the Assistant Secretary of State at Washington Governor Gilpin took and subscribed before Hon Benjamin F Hall Chief Justice of Colorado Territory the following official oath.

"I William Gilpin of the Territory of Colorado, having been appointed by the President of the United States, to be Governor of said Territory, do solemnly swear that I will support, protect and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States, against all enemies, whether domestic or foreign, and that I will bear true faith allegiance, and loyalty to the same, any ordinance resolution or law of any State convention or legislature to the contrary notwithstanding: and further, that I do this with a full determination pledge, and purpose, without any mental reservation or evasion whatsoever; and, further, that I will well and faithfully perform all the duties which may be required of me by law: So help me God.

"William Gilpin"

Sworn to and subscribed before me this second day of September AD 1861

Benj: F. Hall
Chief Justice of Colorado:

The Secretary of the Territory also took and subscribed the same oath before the Chief Justice on the same day, and forwarded the Originals to the Secretary of State at Washington -

Executive Department, Colorado Territory
Secretary's Office Denver September 2d 1861

Hon. William H. Seward
Secretary of State, Washington D.C.
Sir:

In compliance with a communication from the Assistant Secretary of State dated 16th August, this day received, I beg leave herewith to enclose my official oath, as prescribed by a recent law of Congress. I was born in the City and County of Hartford and State of Connecticut

I am instructed by Governor Gilpin to forward his official oath also; (which please find herewith) and to say for him, that he was born in the county of Newcastle and State of Delaware

I have the honor to be
Your Obedient Servant
Lewis Ledyard Weld
Secretary of Colorado Ter.

Territory of Colorado } ss.
County of the Supreme Court
District, appointed by the President of the United
States; & Attorney of the United States for the
said District, do solemnly swear that I will support
protect and defend the Constitution and Government
of the United States against all enemies whether
domestic or foreign, and that I will bear true faith
allegiance, and loyalty to the same, any ordinance
resolution or law of any State Convention or
legislature to the Contrary notwithstanding; and
further, that I do this with a full determination,
pledge and purpose, without any mental reservation
or evasion whatsoever: and further that I will well
and faithfully perform all the duties which may be
required of me by law. So help me God.

James E Dalibe.

I, Benjamin F. Hall Chief Justice of Colorado
Territory do hereby certify that the above oath was
administered by me to James E. Dalibe at Denver
City Colorado Territory this 2nd day of September
1861.

Benj F. Hall.
Chief Justice of Colorado.

Governor's Message.

Fellow citizens of the Legislative Assembly of Colorado Territory.

Accept my congratulations gentlemen that the auspicious hour has arrived for the meeting of the Legislative Assembly of the people of Colorado. Accept also the expressions of satisfaction with which I welcome you to inaugurate government on the foundation of the will and power of the people. The stern and delicate duty which is confided to you, is to create and condense into system and order the elements of stable government for this commonwealth of the primeval mountains, to become, in the march of our great Country, one of the family of the American Union.

It is enjoined upon me by the Organic Act, to submit to your deliberations the condition of our young republic and recomend to you especially the essential subjects of legislation.

I recomend to you the subdivision of our Territorial Area into Counties, visited to the wants and convenience of the people, with provision for the more minute sub-divisions of townships, districts and precincts for municipal government and police. These subdivisions ought to be as small as the density of population may render possible.

It is in these complete little republics where the sovereign power of the people is always in exercise, where self government has a perpetual activity, and independent freedom is practised and enjoyed. To harmonize these by judicious general laws, enjoining every where energy and uniformity of action, is to found a State upon a basis of solid power and enduring strength, compatible with the generous enjoyment of freedom.

It will also be your care to establish a system of social police: laws for the prevention and punishment of crime and immorality; a code of civil laws and procedure, for the pacific adjustment in matters of contract and dispute between citizens, and for the management and protection of estates of deceased persons, and the care of heirs and orphans. To these you will add, tribunals for the execution management of the revenues of taxation, roads, education, charity, and ministerial officers for the effective administration of public affairs in its minute details.

Preeminent among the principals which give vigor and stability to civilized society is Education. The universal dissemination of schools in which the people of all ages shall receive generous instruction uniform and thorough in its character, inspires and maintains intelligence of a high standard. Upon a perfect system of colleges and schools for the people alone can we rely for a virtuous exercise of the elective franchise - for the steady discipline of civil society, and for the permanent power of order and religion over anarchy.

I specially commend this subject to your deliberation, satisfied that every page of history demonstrates the universal cultivation of the intellect of the social mass to be the origin from which flow order, religion, wealth and prosperity.

Next in order the military organization of our people demands your prompt action. The citizen must also be a soldier and armed. The system of civil society is never safe from revolution and the shock of sudden conspiracies, unless associated with, and fortified by an equally vigorous discipline of its physical powers.

The pressing necessity of military efficiency in discipline and arms, is rendered absolute by the presence of twenty-five thousand resident Indians, intermingled with our people, and on the routes of communication over which all supplies reach our Territory.

I recommend the creation of a Territorial organization of the Militia, so efficient as to meet the necessities of our present and prospective condition; to maintain an energetic state of preperation - always ready and effective - to enforce order and over bear every Enemy.

There is distinctly discernable in the industrial occupations of the people of Colorado, a classification of pursuits, flowing naturally from the influences of climate and the close juxta position of vast Mountains and Plains: Mining exclusively, occupies a portion of our people: pastorial agriculture another portion; Arable agriculture a third portion. With these are everywhere intermingled those who pursue commerce and manufactures.

In the early infancy of society, the first instincts of the people have developed themselves to obtain the benefits of government; by the effort to create a general

provisional government subsequently, by voluntary associations locally established and temporally acquiesced in.

To harmonize this variety of tastes and industrial pursuits under a genial system of laws, so judiciously guarded as to promote the healthy vitality of each, and blend them into a state of mutual dependence and mutual support is to attain the triumph of good government. Moderation instructed and led by wisdom will extinguish from among the elements of society the evil principles of hostility and envy, and plant in their place the good principles of generous rivalry and concord of energies.

Addicted to the other fundamental departments of society, is the government of cities, towns and villages and the erection of public and private corporations. The immense experience of our country demonstrates the necessity of a discriminating caution, in this vital department of legislation, where the central power delegates its own functions in detail. the wise rule of action is to restrict the powers of corporations within the same constitutional barrier which prescribes and limits the powers of Legislature itself, and restrains all delegated powers and privileges in obedience to the primary sovereignty of the embodied people.

Having enumerated the departments of prominent importance in erecting the frame of government and distributing the administration of power among the body of society, I recur, with emphasis, to the departments of the Judiciary and the Militia.

To a pioneer people, entering upon the great work of establishing an harmonious commonwealth for themselves and their posterity, the vigorous action of these two departments constitutes the bulwark of their liberties, their safety from disorder, and their plain progress to success. Your care will be, to draw from accumulated experience, enactments so luminous, comprehensive & vigorous as to awaken the response of the people, and command their energetic co-operation.

I transmit to you a copy of the Census of the territory officially taken, and the returns of the general election held under the organic Act, which invests you with full powers and authority for constituent legislation, within the restrictions of the Federal Constitution.

The Census reveals many valuable, and very ample fa-

the comparative proportion of the people devoted to mining within the Mountains. to agriculture upon the great rivers. and those residing within the Commercial towns. are clearly demonstrated. The aggregate population is 30.000 the predominance in numbers of Males citizens over females and Children, is a fact so remarkable as to have no recorded precedent in any new society voluntarily planted and perpetuated in the wilderness.

The result of the vote of the whole people impartially taken and honestly recorded, is a conclusive declaration of their acceptance of the Organic Act conceded by the Federal Congress. in response to their petitions It is a sublime expression of their loyalty. satisfaction and devotion, to the existing Continental Union. It is a fervent prayer to the Supreme Throne of Grace for the sanctity. the safety. and the perpetuity of the Constitution and the best of Governments. It is an unqualified pledge to perpetuate the ancient forms inspired by the patriarchal fathers: to secure the independent liberties of the people: and to maintain the enjoyment of civil and religeous liberty in practice Among men.

I have had the agreeable opportunity to visit the Citizens of our Territory at their homes. and to accept of their generous hospitalities. Three years have elapsed since the first Pioneer settlement. The grand energies and activity of the people everywhere manifest have already created a powerful and well balanced Commonwealth. This experience and labor establish many facts. The existence of the precious and base metals in absolutely inexhaustible abundance and variety: the universal fertility of the soil. as well upon the flanks of the great mountains. as upon the plains and within the parks. the uniform splendor and salubrity of the climate; the facility of transit and penetration by roads over all varieties. of surface. these facts. conclusively established demonstrate that our Country is supremely favored by nature. with all the elements which promise unrivaled rapidity of progress prosperity and power.

A grand work, to penetrate the middle region of our Continent, and to perfect the fraternal bonds of our whole people, sometime isolated on the shores

of different oceans, has long denominated in the heart of every American. An exploration and critical survey nearly completed of a line connecting Denver and Salt Lake Cities by Vasquez Fork and the Middle Park demonstrates the existence of a rout through the Snowy Cordillera filling all the requirements of economical construction, easy transit, centrality and directness heretofore desired or demanded by any portion of the American People. It is through the centre of Colorado Territory, then, that the Continental Railway is about to be constructed, which a few years will complete. Our Territory will be bisected, East and West by the grandest work of all time, constructed to fraternize the domestic relations of our own people, and to draw to, and fro through the heart of the American Union the travel and commerce of all the nations, and all the continents of the world. Such is the civic triumph which awaits the intrepid bravery and conquering energies of the pioneers who have developed and possess the great Mountains

As the extraction of gold, with which our great Mountains are permeated, forms the primary occupation of our industrial population, and supplies the medium of Commerce. I recommend that the condition, and wants of our mining region be specially reported to the Federal Congress. To aid in perfecting the processes of economical mining, and indefinately increase the production of the precious metals, and coin: the liberal assistance of the Government and of science ought to be invoked. and it will be given.

I pledge you my cordial and intelligent co-operation in all that your wisdom and patriotism shall attempt.

Our great country demands a period of stern virtue, of holy zeal, of regenerating patriotism, of devoted citizens, It is to you representatives, and to the people of the young Territory of Colorado, that I speak. To exalt your patriotic enthusiasm, is my aim. With us are the Continental Eagles, and the Continental Cause immortalized by the purity of Washington, illumined by the wisdom of Jefferson, vindicated and restored in the illustrious Jackson. Let us condense around these Eagles, and advance, devoted to maintain their purity and to exalt their glory.

I commend your hearts to a steadfast faith in

the Supreme power of God, fortified by the contemplation of the stupendous form of nature with which Hee surrounds us. and from which no element of sublimity is left out. We must seek in colossal dimensions and sublime forms of nature, with which we are encircled, and upward to the Supreme Throne of Grace, inspirations of wisdom, moderation and energy, to set the foundations of a commonwealth which shall beat back the shocks of time, and stand as firm and enduring as the loftiest mountain.

William Gilpin

By His Excellency, William Gilpin Governor of Colorado Territory.

A Proclamation.

Whereas Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States has issued his proclamation inviting the American People to observe the 26th day of September, 1861. as a day of fasting, humiliation and prayer to Almighty God to visit our people and country with peace, mercy, and renewed prosperity and to relieve us from the scourge of civil strife and punishment for our sins and wickedness: I request and enjoin upon the people of Colorado Territory a humble, sincere and universal participation in the prayers of our whole country on that day.

Done at Denver, this 21st day of September 1861.

By the Governor

William Gilpin.

Lewis Ledyard Weld

Secretary Colorado Territory.

Executive Department Colorado Territory,
Denver September 28th 1861

To the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Colorado Territory.

Sir

I have approved and signed the following Acts.

An Act to change the name of James Lee Longbottom.

An Act to designate the style of the enacting clause of the Legislative Acts of the Territory of Colorado.

An Act to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors to Soldiers.

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin Governor.

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver October 2d 1861

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir.

I have approved and signed "Joint Resolution of the Legislative Assembly."

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin.

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver October 4th 1861

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir.

I return to the House of Representatives the bill entitled: An Act to dissolve the bonds of matrimony between Adam H. Bateman and Ellen C Bateman, without my official approval.

I am unwilling to trench upon the rights of parties to a civil contract, who are entitled to trial by jury in all cases of doubtful facts, under judicial forms fixed by law.

Whilst the Legislative Assembly possess the fullest power to prescribe the tribunals before which such contracts shall be tried; as well as to fix the forms of proceedings and conditions which shall work a dissolution; I recognise the sacred right reserved to the courts and to

Juries of the people, to hear and decide upon the evidence in each case, & determine the facts, and to decree the disposition of infants and property.

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin.

Executive Department, Colorado Territory
Denver October 8th 1861

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives
Sir.

I have this day approved and signed an Act entitled, An Act to incorporate the Blue River and Buffalo Platts Ditch Company.

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin.

Executive Department Colorado Territory
Denver October 11th 1861

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
Sir.

I have approved and signed an Act entitled — An act to incorporate the Apex and Gregory wagon road Company.

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin.

Executive Department, Colorado Territory
Denver October 11th 1861.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
Sir.

I have approved and signed. — An Act adopting the Common law of England.
An Act to incorporate the Denver, Bradford and Blue River Road Company.

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin.

Executive Department
Colorado Territory.

To the President of the Council
of the Legislative Assembly,
Sir,

I have approved and
signed an Act entitled
"An Act in relation to District Courts"
Denver September 14, 1861

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin,

Executive Department Colorado Territory
Denver October 3rd 1861.

To the President of the Council of the Legislative Assembly.
Sir

I have approved an act entitled
"an Act to incorporate the Enterprise Wagon Road
Company."

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin.

Executive Department Colorado Ter.
Denver September 29th 1861.

To the Marshal of Colorado
Greeting.

Information having reached
me that a Texan, named McKee, is raising troops within
this Territory for an unlawful purpose. I deem it incom-
patible with the public safety for him to be suffered
longer to be at large. You are, therefore directed to
arrest and detain him until further orders.

William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory

Executive Department Colorado Territory
Denver October 18th 1861

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir

I have approved and signed an Act entitled
An Act to incorporate the Consolidated Ditch Company

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin
Gov Colorado

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver October 18th 1861.

To the President of the Council,

Sir.

I have approved and signed an act entitled
An Act to organize the Militia.

Very Respectfully
W. Gilpin.

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver October 24th 1861.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir.

I have approved and signed the following Acts.
entitled,
An Act Prescribe the rate of Interest.
An Act concerning Attorneys and Counsellors at Law.
An Act concerning costs.
An Act concerning Fire Warrants of Cities and Towns.
An Act Concerning Amendments and Devfails.
An Act concerning practice in Chancery.
An Act regulating the Mode of Proceeding in Replevin.
An Act relative to Notaries Public.
An Act concerning Venue.

Very respectfully.
William Gilpin
Gov Colorado.

Executive Department, Colorado Territory.
Denver October 29th 1861.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir.

I have approved and signed Acts entitled
An Act to authorize the appointment of Commissioners of Deeds.
An Act regulating the mode of proceedings in attachments in the District Courts.
Joint resolutions.

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory.

Executive Department Colorado Territory
Denver October 31st 1861.

To the President of the Council.

Sir

I have approved and signed Acts entitled,
An Act concerning Descents and distributions;
An Act to regulate and establish the rates of charge for publication of legal advertisements:
An Act concerning fraudulent Conveyances and contracts relative to real and personal property.
An Act concerning Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory.

Executive Department Colorado Territory,
Denver October 31st 1861

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir. I have approved and signed Acts entitled,
An Act Concerning Justices of the Peace and Constables.
An Act to provide for the appointment of three Commissioners in each County in this Territory.
A Joint Memorial in relation to Mail Routs.
An Act to provide for the Expenses of Colorado Territory.
An Act to provide for Contested Elections.
An Act to establish the office of County Attorney and to define his duties.
An Act concerning Evidences and depositions.

Very Respectfully William Gilpin

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver November 4th 1861

To the President of the Council.

Sir

I have approved and signed Acts entitled,
An Act concerning Forcible entries and unlawful detainers.
An Act to define County Boundaries and to locate
County seats in Colorado Territory.
An Act concerning actions by persons holding Lots, lands
or mining claims except as against the United States.

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin,
Gov Colorado Territory.

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver November 4th 1861.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir

I have approved and signed Acts entitled,
An Act to provide for recording contracts relating to Lands, and
for other purposes.
An Act Concerning Liens.
An Act Concerning Oaths and Affirmations.
An Act Concerning lost goods and Estrays.
An Act Concerning Judgments and Executions.
An Act creating a Lien in favor of Mechanics in certain cases.
Joint Memorial for Branch Mint.

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin.

Executive Department Colorado Territory
Denver November 5th 1861

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives

Sir

I have approved and signed
Acts entitled, An Act concerning Criminal Jurisprudence
An Act to protect and regulate the irrigation of Lands, An
Act concerning imprisonment for Debt, An Act to prevent and
punish resistance to Officers, An Act Concerning Injunctions, An
Act Concerning Jurors, An Act Concerning practice in Civil Cases

Very Respectfully William Gilpin

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver November 5th 1861.

To the President of the Council.

Sir.

I have this day approved and signed Acts entitled
An Act concerning Conveyances of Real Estate.
An Act for limitations of Actions.

Respectfully
William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory.

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver November 6th 1861.

To the President of the Council.

Sir

I have this day approved and signed, Acts entitled
An Act for the protection of Trout Fish.
An Act to protect the Mining claims and property of Soldiers.
An Act to prevent the importation of stock into the Territory of
Colorado for the purpose of grazing,
An Act to incorporate St Johns Church in the Wilderness.

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory.

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver November 6th 1861

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir.

I have Approved and signed Acts entitled.
An Act concerning partitions of Real Estate.
An Act relating to Counties and County Boundaries.
An Act to create a Lien in favor of Mechanics and others.
An Act concerning County Jails.
An Act concerning Legal Advertisements.
An Act to incorporate the Gamp Weld and Denver Ditch and Water Company.
An Act to locate the seat of government of Colorado Territory.
An Act to provide for stay of proceedure on foreign indebtedness.

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory.

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver November 6th 1861.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives

Sir

I have approved and signed Acts entitled,

An Act supplementary to "An Act concerning Judgments and Executions."

Joint Resolutions relative to a Territorial Seal.

An Act relating to the commitment of prisoners.

An Act concerning the construction of Statutes.

An Act incorporating the Park Junction, Georgia and French Gulch road company.

An Act concerning joint rights and obligations.

An Act to prevent the introduction of animals for the purpose of grazing within certain limits.

An Act concerning Licenses.

An Act to incorporate the Cañon City, Grand River and San Juan road Company.

An Act to prevent Ranchmen and Stable-Keepers from using stock left with them, without the consent of the owners.

An Act to provide for vacancies in the Legislature.

Respectfully

William Gilpin

Governor of Colorado Territory.

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver November 6th 1861.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives

Sir

I have approved and signed Acts entitled.

An Act granting the exclusive right to Joseph M. Jaynes and Joseph G. Garcia to maintain a ferry across the Rio Grande at Paso-del-Puerto.

An Act to incorporate the Swan River and Georgia Gulch Water Company.

An Act concerning Guardian & Ward.

An Act to organize and establish the Treasury Department.

An Act to establish a Territorial Library and Cabinet.

An Act regulating Elections.

Very Respectfully

William Gilpin

Governor of Colorado Territory.

Executive Department Colorado Territory
Denver Jan 15 1861.

To the President of the Council

Sir.

I have approved and signed Acts entitled;
An Act to incorporate the Colorado and Pacific Wagon, Telegraph and Rail Road Company.
An Act declaratory of the rights of occupants of the public domain, except as against the United States.
An Act to incorporate the Rocky Mountain and Pikes Peak Gold mining Company

Very respectfully
William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory.

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver November 9th 1861

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir

I have approved and signed Acts entitled.
An Act concerning Arbitrations and Awards.
An Act providing for the Collection of the Revenue.
An Act to incorporate the St Vrain, Altona, Boulder Mining and Gregory Wagon road Company.
An Act concerning Lode claims.
An Act relating to the Legislative Assembly.
An Act to incorporate the Bear Canon Road Company.
An Act to establish the Common School System

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver November 7th 1861.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir.

I have approved and signed Acts entitled,
An Act concerning proceedings of Quo Warranto.
Joint Resolutions and Memorial to Congress in relation
to pay and Salaries.
An Act concerning Fugitives from Justice.
An Act concerning Probate Courts.

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory.

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver November 7th 1861.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir

I have approved and signed Acts entitled.
An Act establishing the mode of locating and changing County Seats.
An Act concerning a line fence.
An Act to change the name of Guadalupe County to Conejos County.
An Act to authorize Fayette Head, John McFrancisco and their
Associates to establish a ferry across the Rio Grande del Norte at
La Loma del Norte.
An Act concerning dower.
An Act concerning Ejectment,
An Act to regulate proceedings in suits of Mandamus.
An Act to incorporate the Bucktail Ave ditch company.
An Act concerning divorces and Alimony.

Very Respectfully.
William Gilpin.
Governor of Colorado Territory.

Executive Department Colorado Territory
Denver November 7th 1861

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir.

I have approved and signed Acts entitled;
An Act to incorporate the City of Denver,
An Act to incorporate the Central City and Georgetown
Wagon road Company.
An Act to establish the University of Colorado.
An Act to authorize Lafayette Head and John M.
Francisco and their associates to establish and keep
a ferry across the Rio Grande del Norte.
An Act regulating the proceedings on the Writ of
Habeas Corpus.

Very respectfully
William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver Nov 7th 1861.

To the President of the Council.

Sir

I have appointed the following
gentlemen to be officers of the Territory of Colorado.

James P. Benson. Treasurer.
Hilton M. Delano, Auditor.
William J. Curtis, Superintendant of Schools.

I respectfully ask the advice and consent of
the Council to confirm the same.

Respectfully
William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory.

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver November 7th 1861

To the President of the Council

Sir

I have approved and signed Acts entitled
An Act to incorporate the Silver Spring Mining Company.
An Act to protect the rights of Married Women.
An Act to provide for serving process until the election of
Sheriffs, and Coroners in this Territory.
By the Act of Congress approved July 1st 1836 it is
provided,
"That no act of the Territorial Legislature of any
of the Territories of the United States incorporating
any Bank or any institution with Banking powers
or privileges hereafter to be passed, shall have any force
or effect whatsoever, until approved and confirmed
by Congress."
Under this qualification I have approved
and signed
An Act to incorporate the Bank of Colorado and will
cause it to be transmitted especially to Congress.
Very Respectfully
William Gilpin,
Governor of Colorado Territory.

Executive Department, Colorado Territory.
Denver November 7th 1861.

To the President of the Council.

Sir

I have approved and signed Acts entitled.
An Act granting the exclusive right to Charles Autobees
to Maintain a ferry across the Arkansas River five miles
Above and five miles below the Mouth of the Huerfano,
An Act to incorporate the Colorado and New Mexico
Joint Stock, Gold, Silver and Copper Mining Company.
Very Respectfully,
William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Ter

Executive Department Colorado Territory
Denver November 7th 1861

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives

Sir,

I have approved and signed Act entitled
An Act supplementary to "An Act to incorporate the City of Denver"
Joint Memorial to the Post Master General
An Act concerning Clerks of the Court.
An Act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Colorado.
An Act to incorporate the Cash Creek and Lake Park Ditch Company.
An Act to provide for the increase and time of meeting of the Legislature.
An Act concerning the District and Supreme Courts.
An Act to incorporate the Georgia Bar, Arkansas river flumming Company.
An Act to incorporate the Fort St Vrain Bridge Company.
An Act regulating the fees of Officers, Jurors and Witnesses.
An Act to incorporate the Mexican Town Company.
Joint Resolution relating to interchange of State Libraries
Joint Resolution fixing the Compensation of Legislative Officers
An Act to incorporate the Gold Run Tunnel Company.
Joint Resolution (Supplemental)
An Act to incorporate the Lowaditch Company.

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver November 8th 1861.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir

I have approved and signed Acts entitled.
An Act to incorporate the Cash Creek Flumming Company.
An Act to incorporate the Pioneer Tunnelling Company Number 1
Joint Resolutions relating to Townships.

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver November 8th 1861.

To the President of the Council:

Sir

I have approved and Signed Act entitled. An Act to incorporate the Breckenridge, Buckskin Joe and Hamilton Wagon Road Company.

Respectfully
William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory.

Executive Department Colorado Territory
Denver November 8th 1861.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir,

I have approved and signed An Act entitled. An Act concerning Wills. Executors and Administrators.

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory.

By His Excellency Wm. Gilpin. Governor of Colorado Territory.

A Proclamation.

Immemorial usage has established among the American People the pious custom to elect annually one of the days of the closing year, and dedicate it for universal prayer and thanksgiving to Almighty God for their salvation. perpetuity & prosperity as a Christian people. I invite the people of Colorado Territory, to select and unanimously observe Thursday the 28th of November instant, as a day of thanksgiving for divine blessings to us as a people, and fervent prayer for the continued existence of our greatness and harmonious Union.

Done at Denver the 18th day of November AD 1861

By the Governor,
William Gilpin.

Lewis Ledyard Weld
Secretary of Colorado Territory.

Executive Department Colorado Territory
Denver January 29th 1862

To His Excellency
The Governor of Minnesota
Governor,

Patrick McDonald a resident of the State of Minnesota is held at this place in $1000.00 Bonds, on the charge of stealing a horse from one George H. Knapp also a resident of that State. The crime is alleged to have been committed in Minnesota, and the criminal was traced to this Territory, and arrested, while in possession of the property alleged to have been stolen. Upon a requisition from your Excellency I will cause the prisoner to be delivered to such person as you may designate to be taken to Minnesota for trial.

I would suggest that Mr Knapp, the claimant of the property, should be entrusted with the care of the prisoner as he is about to return immediately to Minnesota, and much expense might thus be spared. If the fact of his own personal interest in the case, does not make it necessary to appoint some other individual as Deputy; I would recommend his appointment.

Awaiting your reply
I have the honor to be,
Your Excellency's
Obdt Servant
Lewis Ledyard Weld.
Secretary and Acting Governor of
Colorado Territory.

By His Excellency William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory.
Writ of Election
To the Sheriff of Summit County.

Whereas a vacancy has occurred in the office of member of the Council of the Legislative Assembly of Colorado by the resignation of Samuel M. Robbins. elected in accordance with the Proclamation of July 11th 1861 and then denominated as "Council District No 6."

Now Therefore I William Gilpin. Governor of Colorado Territory. by virtue of the authority vested in me. do hereby order that you call an Election on the 28th day of April 1862 in Summit County (it being the old Council District No 6) to fill said vacancy. for the unexpired time of said term.

Done at Denver April 2' 1862.

By the Governor

William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Ter.

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver April 7th A.D. 1862.

To His Excellency
Charles Robinson
Governor of the State of Kansas.

Whereas by affidavit hereto annexed it appears that Burrell C. Wright, having committed unlawful acts within this Territory, and escaped into the State of Kansas, is liable to be arrested and delivered to the Authorities of this Territory.

I therefore make demand that he be arrested and placed into the custody of E. C. Mason, to be safely conveyed hither and disposed of according to Law.

William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory.

Executive Department Colorado Territory.
Denver May 2nd A.D. 1862.

To James M. Nat Clark

You are hereby duly appointed by me Public Administrator for the County of Arapahoe, Colorado Territory, in accordance with the provisions of Section 48 of the Act entitled "An Act concerning Wills, Executors and Administrators" Approved November 8th 1861.

Very Respectfully
William Gilpin
Governor of Colorado Territory.

Executive Department. Colorado Territory.
Denver May 16th 1862.

The Governor in the name of the People of Colorado presents his thanks to the soldiers of Colorado of all ranks and of every arm of the service.

Soldiers.

To the virtues of martial discipline devotion and intrepid valour you have added victory in the cause of Liberty and Perpetual Union.

To those who have died, covered with Glory, and to you who are destined to carry the fire of victory to future triumphs. I express in the name of the People, my grateful amiration.

William Gilpin.